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To whom it may concern:

Net neutrality must remain the core principle on which the internet rests. The internet's power lies in its ability to allow all content, regardless of the source to have a voice. Ideas can be shared across the globe instantly, reaching anyone who searches. It is the ultimate free speech.

A loss of net neutrality would limit internet access disproportionately for individual voices; the voices that the internet so importantly can share with the world. Individual bloggers, small businesses, artists and students cannot compete with large corporations in their purchasing power, and thus their voices will be silenced. The internet is a medium for small voices to be heard; losing net neutrality will overwhelmingly favor business interests and thus lose the internet's greatest asset. If net neutrality is lost, it will be nearly impossible to restore a free and open internet again. Our children and grandchildren will never have the opportunity to participate in this great information sharing network we now enjoy.

As a pediatrician, I maintain a small website to promote my office and share information. It is because of net neutrality that my website is searchable and accessible. I worry that if the policies change, my website, along with countless other small businesses and blogs, will be slowed down to the point of being unusable and buried under large corporate entities because we individuals cannot compete with corporate giants in fees.

I have no doubt that there are lobbyists from these large corporations strongly pushing for their own agenda, but as the Federal Communications Commission, you have the power to rise above the allure of a paycheck and do the right thing for all of us.

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